



USDA, NASS, Tennessee Field Office

Debra Kenerson, State Statistician
PO Box 41505
Nashville, Tennessee 37204-1505
(615) 781-5300 or 1-800-626-0987
Email: nass-tn@nass.usda.gov

In Cooperation with:

Tennessee Department of Agriculture
Julius Johnson, Commissioner

Released: March 31, 2016

March 1 Planting Intentions

Farmers in Tennessee intend to plant 840,000 acres of corn, 60,000 higher than 2015. U.S. corn growers intend to plant 93.6 million acres for all purposes in 2016, up 6 percent from last year and 3 percent higher than 2014.

Soybean acreage in Tennessee was expected to total 1.65 million acres, down 100,000 acres from the previous year. U.S. soybean planted area for 2016 is estimated at 82.2 million acres, down 1 percent from last year.

Upland cotton acreage to be planted in Tennessee is forecast at 235,000, up 80,000 acres from 2015. The U.S. total upland cotton acreage is estimated at 9.35 million acres, up 11 percent from the previous year.

Burley tobacco growers in Tennessee intend to set 12,000 acres for harvest, unchanged acres from 2015. For the burley producing states, growers intend to set 79,150 acres, slightly above last year.

Producers intend to set 7,100 acres of dark-fired tobacco in Tennessee, down 500 acres from the previous year. Acreage set to dark-air tobacco was estimated at 1,250 acres, up 50 acres from 2015.

Winter wheat seeded by Tennessee farmers in the fall of 2015 totaled 440,000 acres, down 15,000 acres from previous year. Seeded acreage for the nation was 36.2 million acres, down 8 percent from the previous year.

Farmers in the state intend to harvest 1.8 million acres of all hay, up 35,000 acres from 2015. U.S. farmers intend on harvesting 54.3 million acres of hay in 2016, down slightly from last year.